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contact surfaces.

7. Apparatus for sealing a reclosable fastener to a substrate, comprising means for presenting lengths of fastener to a continuous substrate, means for attaching the lengths of fastener initially to the substrate so as to leave a body of the fastener free for movement, and a pair of sealing jaws between which the combination is arranged to pass, said jaws being dimensioned to be longer than the body of the fastener along the path of movement of the combination and being displaceable relative to the combination to effect sealing of the substrate to the fastener body when moved into contact therewith.

8. Apparatus as claimed in claim 7, in which the lengths of fastener are located between two substantially parallel webs of material, and are initially attached only to the inside of one of said webs of material.

9. Apparatus as claimed in claim 8, in which the lengths of fastener are initially attached by means of a single flange extending from one element of the fastener.

20 10. Apparatus as claimed in any of claims 7 to 9, in which the sealing jaws are preceded in the path of movement by another pair of jaws incorporating means to sever filled and sealed bags.